

UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



PUBLIC SAFETY ALERT – JULY 3, 2008

ALERT:

Critical / Major Incident

ADVISORY:

Important Incident

BULLETIN:

General Information

Public Safety would like to alert the University of St. Thomas community of an attempted robbery that occurred off campus.

On 07/02/2008, at 01:00 PM, a UST student reported he was walking southbound on Milton Avenue, between Dayton Avenue and Selby Avenue, when he was approached by three suspects. One of the suspects asked the student for money. The student said he did not have any. The suspect then began patting down the student's pockets. The student then fled south on Milton Avenue, then east on Selby Avenue. The student reported the three suspects briefly gave chase and threw soda cans at him.

The student later reported the incident to the St. Paul Police Department.

The student described the suspect who patted him down as a black male, 19 – 20 years old, approximately 5' 10", slender build, short hair, wearing a white t-shirt and light blue jeans. The student reported he did not get a good look at the other two suspects, and could only describe them as black males, 19 – 20 years old.

The University of St. Thomas believes that descriptors alone are not a valid reason to profile or cast suspicion on any individual. They are included here because they may reasonably assist in identifying the perpetrators of this incident.

Anyone with information regarding these crimes is urged to call the St. Paul Police Department at (651) 291-1111, or Public Safety at (651) 962-5100.

**Report crime confidentially or anonymously:
by e-mailing PSTIPS@stthomas.edu,
or calling 96(2-TIPS).**

Crime prevention tips:

- Call Public Safety to escort you to your destination.
- Report crimes immediately to Public Safety and the St. Paul Police Department.
- Do not wear earphones when walking or running alone outside, especially if it is dark. This potentially cuts off audible signals of threats to your safety.
- Walk in groups – there is safety in numbers.
- Don't take unnecessary risks. Stay in populated, well-lit areas.
- Report crimes immediately to Public Safety and the police.
- Remember suspect information, including direction of travel, vehicle information, approximate age, height, weight and details on hair, clothing, jewelry, scars, tattoos – anything noticeable.
- Use a buddy system with your trusted friends to watch out for one another.

If you have information regarding crimes on campus you are urged to contact
Public Safety at (651) 962-5100 and the police (651) 291-1111

Removal Date: 07/17/2008